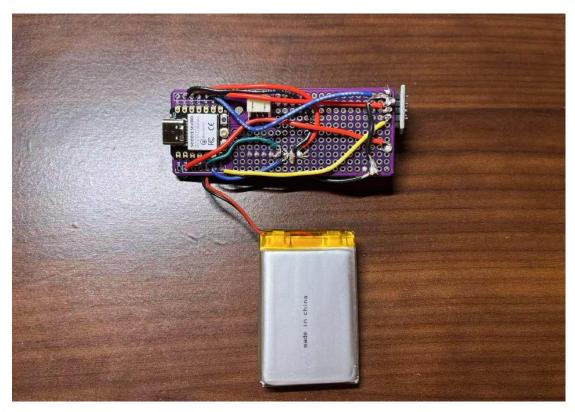
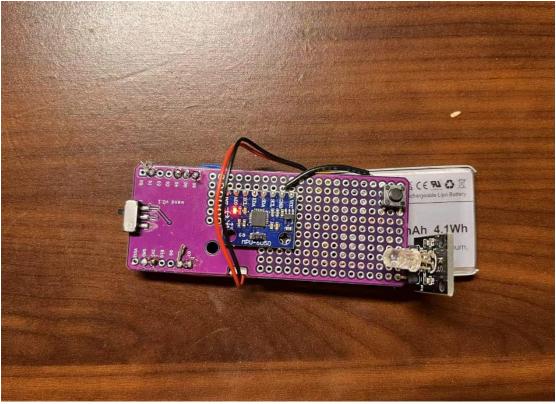
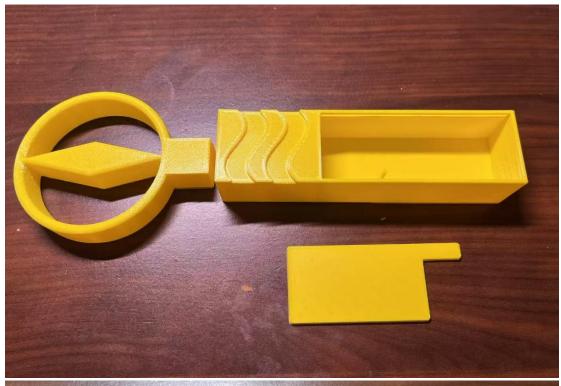
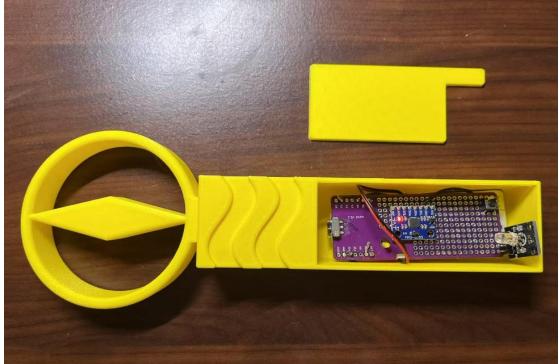
## 1. Pictures of hardware setup and connections

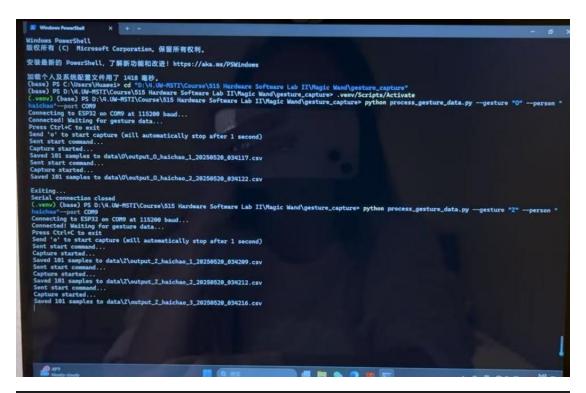




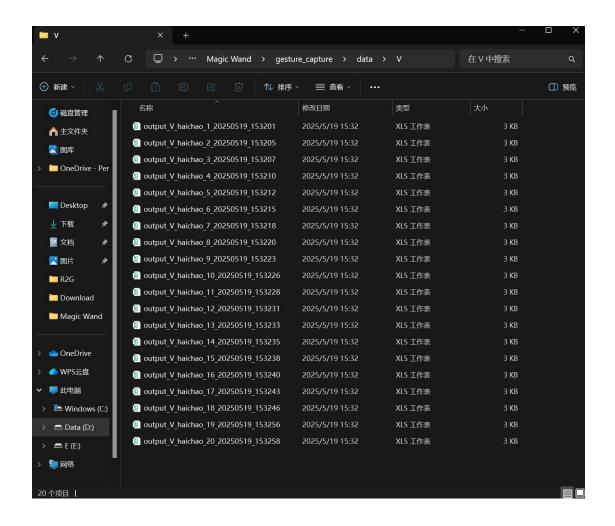


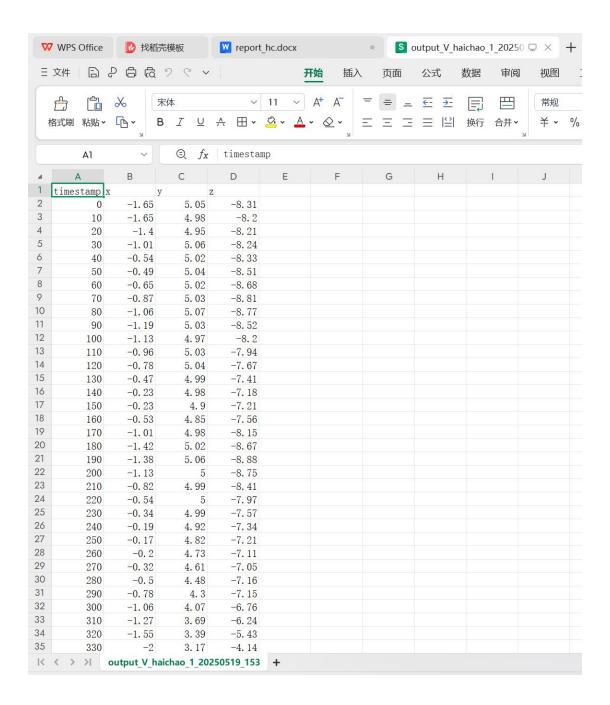


#### 2. Data collection process and results





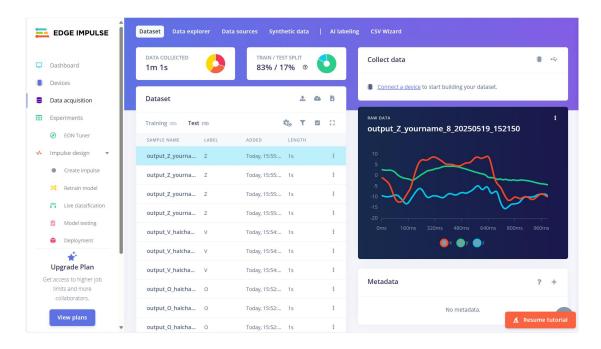


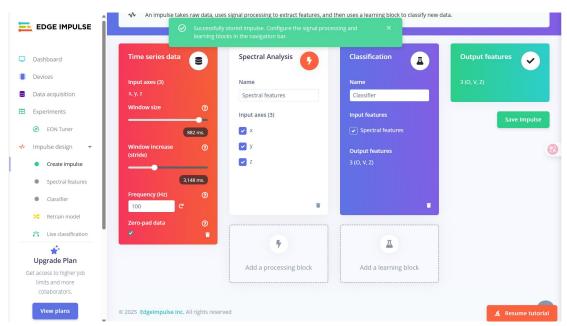


**Discussion:** Why should you use training data collected by multiple students rather than using your own collected data only? Think about the effectiveness and reliability of your wand.

Using training data collected by multiple students increases both effectiveness and reliability. It introduces natural variation in how gestures are performed, helping the model generalize better to new users. Relying only on my own data may cause the model to overfit my personal gesture style, reducing performance when others use the wand.

#### 3. Edge Impulse model architecture and optimization





#### **Processing block justification:**

I selected Spectra/ Analysis as my processing block because it is well-suited for analyzing repetitive motion data from accelerometers. It extracts the frequency and power characteristics of the signals over time, which is useful for classifying dynamic gestures like "Z", "O", and "V".

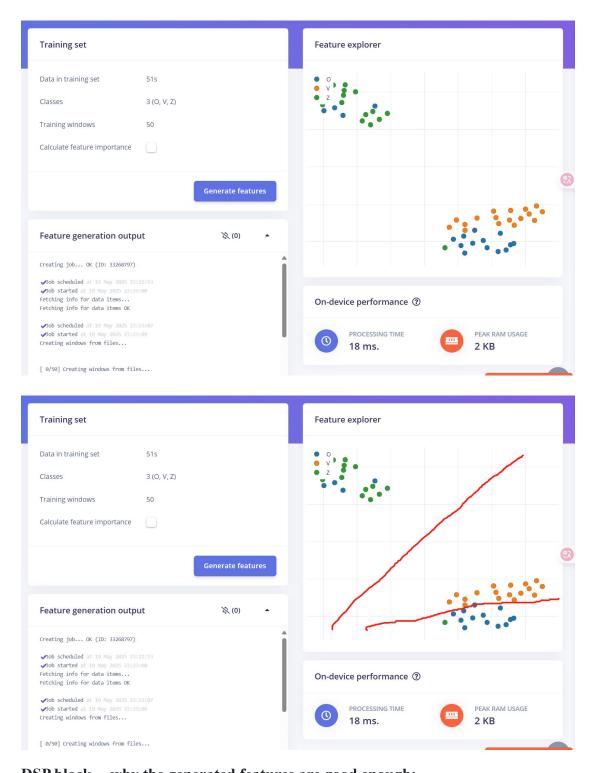
#### Learning block justification:

I chose Classification as the learning block since our goal is to distinguish between different gesture types. This is a typical classification task, and the built-in classifier provides a simple and effective way to learn from the spectral features.

**Discussion:** Discuss the effect of window size. Consider

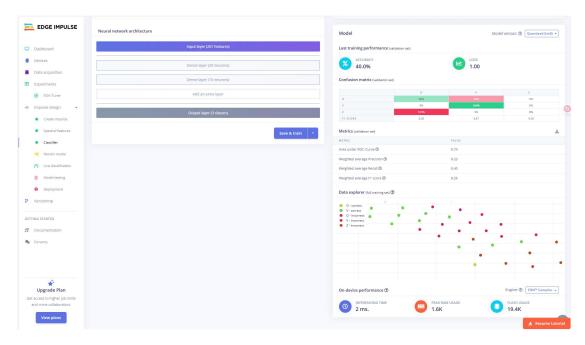
- the number of samples generated
- the number of neurons in your input layer of neural network
- effectiveness when capturing slow-changing patterns

Window size affects how the model sees the gesture. A larger window captures longer patterns, which helps detect slow-changing gestures but reduces the number of training samples and increases the number of input neurons. A smaller window creates more training samples and fewer input neurons, but may miss the full shape of slow gestures.



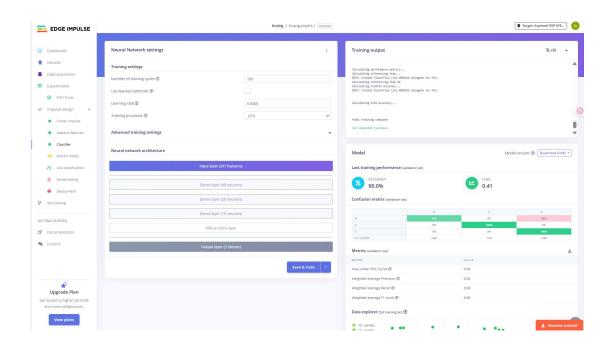
## DSP block -- why the generated features are good enough:

The generated features are good enough because the three gesture classes (O, V, Z) are clearly separated in the feature space. Most samples cluster tightly with others of the same label, and there is minimal overlap between clusters. This suggests that the model will be able to learn a clear decision boundary and accurately classify new data.

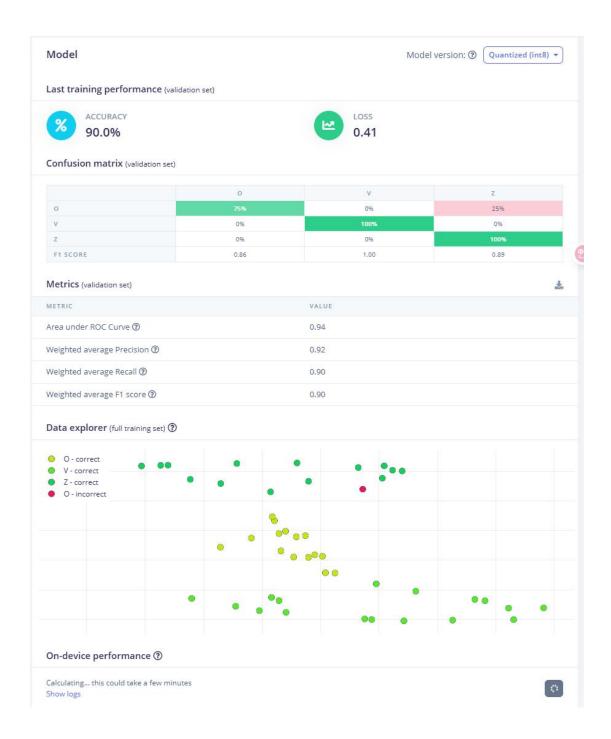


#### ML block before tuning: no good

This attempt didn't work well probably because the model was too small to capture differences between the three gestures.



ML block after tuning: good



## To achieve better performance, I tuned the neural network with the following settings:

Training cycles: 100Learning rate: 0.0005

• Architecture:

➤ Input layer: 207 features

➤ Hidden layers: 40 neurons → 20 neurons → 10 neurons

> Output layer: 3 classes (O, V, Z)

### **Training results:**

• Accuracy: 90%

• Loss: 0.41

• F1 Scores: O: 0.86, V: 1.00, Z: 0.89

• Weighted average F1: 0.90

• Precision / Recall: 0.92 / 0.90

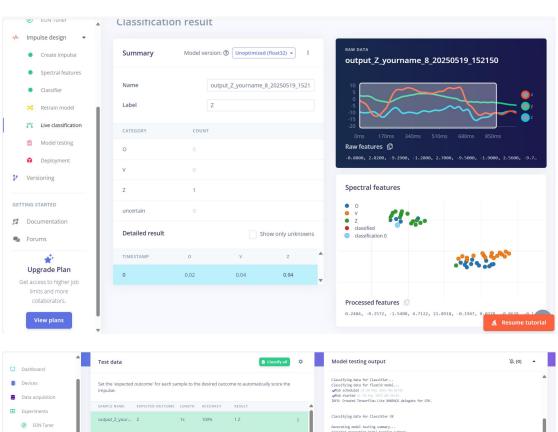
• AUC (ROC): 0.94

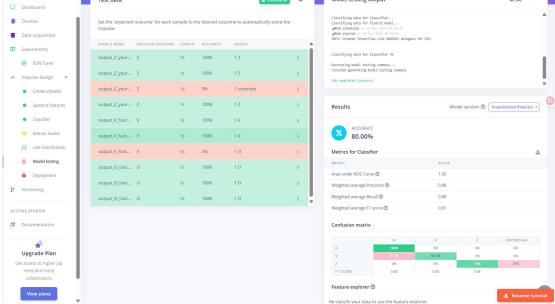
### From the confusion matrix, we can see:

• Class V is perfectly recognized.

• Class Z has strong performance.

• Class O has 25% misclassified as Z, which is a minor weakness to improve.





#### Results

Model version: ②

Unoptimized (float32) ▼



#### **Metrics for Classifier**



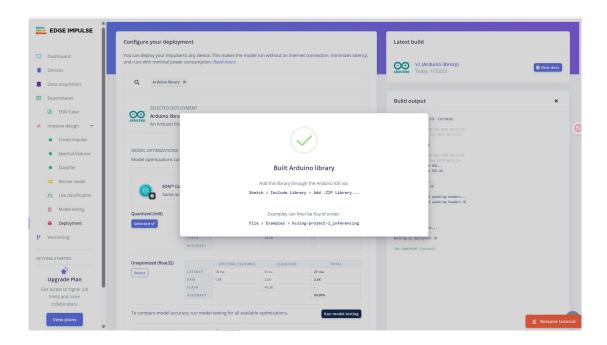
METRIC	VALUE
Area under ROC Curve ②	1.00
Weighted average Precision ②	0.88
Weighted average Recall ②	0.80
Weighted average F1 score ②	0.81

#### Confusion matrix

	0	V	Z	UNCERTAIN
0	100%	0%	096	0%
V	33.3%	66.7%	0%	0%
Z	0%	0%	75%	25%
F1 SCORE	0.86	0.80	0.86	-

#### Feature explorer ③

Re-classify your data to use the feature explorer.



#### "Live classification" and "Model testing":

- Accuracy: 80%
- Precision (Weighted average): 0.88
- Recall (Weighted average): 0.80
- F1 Score (Weighted average): 0.81
- Area under ROC Curve (AUC): 1.00
- Confusion Matrix:
  - Class O: 100% correct
  - Class V: 66.7% correct (33.3% misclassified as O)
  - Class Z: 75% correct (25% classified as uncertain)

## Discussion: Give at least two potential strategies to further enhance your model performance.

1. Collect More and Higher-Quality Training Data

Increasing the number of well-labeled and consistently performed gesture samples—especially for underperforming classes like O—can help the model learn more robust patterns and reduce misclassification.

- 2. Optimize DSP and Neural Network Architecture
- DSP (Feature Extraction): Fine-tuning the window size and increasing frequency resolution may help extract more distinctive features for each gesture.
- Model Architecture: Adding more hidden layers or increasing the number of neurons can improve the model's ability to capture complex motion patterns, though this must be balanced against on-device constraints.

#### 4. Performance analysis and metrics

See details in answers for Q3

# 5. Answers to questions and your choices to all design options with justifications

See details in answers for Q3

#### 6. Demo video link

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1j32liNdkkQn-Mwv-bW7rUMiV8yGIr32J/view?usp=sharing

#### 7. Challenges faced and solutions

A major challenge I faced was getting the RGB LED to light up based on gesture recognition results. Even though the LED worked perfectly in basic test sketches—where red, green, and blue could all be lit using digitalWrite()—it consistently failed to light up in the integrated gesture recognition program. This issue blocked my progress for nearly two hours.

To debug the problem, I added detailed serial print statements to trace what value the prediction string actually held. I discovered that the predictions looked correct in the Serial Monitor (e.g., Prediction: O), but the LEDs still didn't respond. This led me to suspect that the string comparison using strcmp(prediction, "o") == 0 was failing silently.

To verify this, I printed the raw hexadecimal values of the characters in prediction, and noticed that they were uppercase (e.g., 'O' is 0x4F) while I was comparing against lowercase letters like "o". Additionally, there may have been invisible trailing characters or formatting from the classifier result that broke exact matches.

#### **Solution:**

I replaced all strcmp() comparisons with strstr() for partial matching (e.g., if (strstr(prediction, "O"))). This allowed the code to match substrings regardless of case or extra characters. After this change, the LEDs lit up correctly for each gesture prediction.

This bug was subtle because the Serial Monitor output looked correct, but the internal string content wasn't exactly what I expected. Solving this helped me better understand how C-style string matching works on embedded systems, and how small mismatches can cause significant behavior issues.